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*Sunlight Glad* ★

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*Gardens*

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Greetings to all our friends everywhere, and many thanks for all the fine orders you sent to Sunlight Gardens last season. This year, as usual, nearly all our bulbs were grown from bulblets. The greatest drought in the history of our section held sizes down, but it gave us some nice clean bulbs. Small sizes of most varieties will bloom if planted early, but medium sizes will give larger blooms. This is the size we like to use for our florist trade. Large bulbs do not usually produce so many bulblets but they will bloom a week or more earlier than the smaller sizes.

Large bulbs will measure  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inches or more. Mediums measure  $\frac{3}{4}$  to  $1\frac{1}{4}$ . Small are  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  inches, while planting stock measures less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch. Unless otherwise noted, bulblets will be sold by the package. Counting consumes so much time that it is cheaper to package a handful. Twenty-five cents per package for all the regular kinds.

Unless otherwise noted after the description of a variety, the price of all bulbs will be as follows:  
 Large 2 for .20, Medium 4 for .20, Small 10 for .20  
 Large 10 for .80, Medium 10 for .40, Small 10 for .20  
 Bulblets are \$1.00 per half pint or \$3.00 per quart.

Five or more bulbs may be purchased at the ten rate but please make each item at least 20 cents. Where prices are given after the description of a variety, the price for 10 will be 8 times the price of one. You may have 5 or more at the same rate.

Excessive shipping charges make it impossible for us to accept orders for less than \$2.50. Retail orders will be shipped prepaid east of the Rockies. West, add postage at the rate of fifty cents per 100 large bulbs.

#### WHOLESALE ORDERS

On a great many varieties we can furnish medium and small sizes and bulblets at wholesale in lots of 100 or more. Write if interested and I will be happy to quote prices.



## 1951 RETAIL LIST.

- ABIGAIL.** Big, light lavender which was superb this year. Large .15, small 4 for .20. Bts. 50 for .25.
- ANNAMAE.** Early, pure white. A strong grower.
- ASTRID.** Straight, beautiful rose that is one of the very best in its color class. Large, .15, small 4 for .20.
- BEACON.** Tall, cream throated salmon scarlet. Large only.
- BIG TOP.** Huge light salmon with dark blotch. Extra good.
- BIKINI.** Very brilliant orange with contrasting throat. Not widely known but good. Large .25, small 3 for .25, Bulblets 25 for .25.
- BLACK OPAL.** One of the darkest reds. Tall, with many open.
- BLESSED DAMOSEL.** Late, ruffled light rose. Big flower and a very fine pastel. Medium 5 for .25, small 10 for .25.
- BLUE LAGOON.** Tall growing deep blue. Large flowered and a vigorous grower. Medium 2 for .30, small 3 for .30. Bulblets 20 for .25.
- BOLERO.** Ruffled orange with brown blotch. Distinctive and well liked by everyone.
- BUCKEYE BRONZE.** Rosy bronze that has an especially good color and grows nicely too. Very popular.
- BURMA.** No garden ever has enough of this lovely ruffled deep rose. Big blooms even from bulblets.
- CHERRY JAM.** Ruffled dark salmon with big cherry blotch. This was one of the very best in our garden last season.
- CONCORD.** Grape purple with brilliant sheen. Early and good.
- CORONA.** Rose edged cream which is always in big demand.
- COVER GIRL.** Extra tall, medium pink with hardly a fault.
- DAISY MAE.** Orange pink with darker blotch. Small sizes only.
- DEBORAH SAMPSON.** Buff pink which we rate as about the best in its class. Large .20, medium 2 for .20, small 4 for .20. Bulblets 50 for .25.
- DIEPPE.** Wonderfully impressive salmon red with deeper throat. Medium 4 for .20, small 10 for .20.
- DOROTHY ARMSTRONG.** Tall, medium purple with long flower head. Heat resistant and due to be a winner. Medium .20, small 2 for .20, bulblets 10 for .20.
- DRUM MAJOR.** Arrow straight medium orange with darker throat. Very distinctive.
- DR. WHITELY.** Large flowered light buff which grows easily. Proved to be a good dry weather glad.
- ETHEL CAVE-COLE.** Pale pink which opens many large florets on a nice stem.
- ELIZABETH THE QUEEN.** Perhaps the most beautiful ruffled lavender. Its one fault is that it needs plenty of moisture to develop long stems.

- FAIR ANGEL.** Large, early, creamy white which is much like Leading Lady but two weeks earlier.
- FIRELIGHT.** Clear red which has both height and nice color. Small sizes only at .15 each. Bulblets 20 for .25.
- FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE.** Very tall clear white. Beautifully ruffled florets on a perfect head. Outstanding. Medium .15, small .10, bulblets 100 for 1.00.
- FRANCIS M. IRWIN.** Unusual shade of rosy lavender. A favorite with the florists to whom we sell.
- GEN. EISENHOWER.** Very large begonia pink. One of the most popular glads grown. Medium 4 for .20, small 10 for .20.
- GEN. MACARTHUR.** Early light rose with yellow throat.
- GOLDEN ARROW.** Straight growing light yellow which makes a nice flower head.
- GOLDEN STATE.** Medium deep yellow which will open eight well placed blooms at one time.
- HAWKEYE RED.** No other red quite like this. Brilliant, two toned florets which are really beautiful.
- HEAVENLY WHITE.** Nice growing white with a faint lilac sheen. Especially beautiful indoors.
- HIGH FINANCE.** Best light orange smoky. Tall, vigorous and really pretty.
- HUNTRESS.** Not so beautiful as Elizabeth the Queen, but much more dependable. Tall, with a nicely placed head of large florets. A mighty fine glad.
- JUNE.** Soft rose with large white throat. A beautiful glad and especially nice for arrangements. Medium .35, small .25, bulblets 10 for .50.
- KESTREL.** Very large orange which is an exceptionally robust grower. Worth while.
- KING ALFRED.** One of the giants of the glad family. Salmon with golden throat. Large .10, small 5 for .25, bulblets 50 for .25.
- KING LEAR.** One of the older purples but still one of the best. Intensely ruffled and very beautiful.
- LADY EVE.** White with strong rose blotch. Like the older Myrna, but I like it much better. Medium .35, small .25, bulblets 10 for .35.
- LARAMIE.** Rather late deep reddish orange. It grows well and opens a large number of blooms. Large and small only.
- LAVENDER QUEEN.** I keep this one for it is hard to beat as a commercial. Its straightness and its bright color make it worth while.
- MASKERADE.** Brilliant yellow with deep red blotch. Attractive and an easy grower. No medium sizes.
- MERCURY.** One of the brightest reds grown. Can be marvelous but it likes some seasons better than others. Large only.
- MONTPELIER.** This is one of the very best pinks. Somewhat similar to Spic and Span but lighter color. Extra tall with long flower head. An exceptional glad. Medium and small sizes only.



- MOUNTAIN GEM.** This red with a tiny silver line around the edge of each petal is especially well liked. Color is superb and growth is excellent. Large .20, medium 2 for .20, small 4 for .20, bulblets 25 for .25.
- MYRNA FAY.** Undoubtedly the best very early lavender. Tall, strong grower and opens several light lavender blooms. Large 2 for .20, medium 4 for .20, small 10 for .25.
- NANCY.** Very popular scarlet. Highly rated and justly so. Medium 2 for .20, small 3 for .20, bulblets 25 for .25.
- OCTOBER SUNSHINE.** Brilliant light orange with recurved florets. An extra good commercial. Small 2 for .20, bulblets 25 for .25.
- OGARITA.** One of the giants. Rosy salmon on a six foot spike which is always straight.
- OHIO NONPAREIL.** Big vivid red which opens a number of attractive blooms.
- ORIENTAL PEARL.** Huge, plain petaled cream. Have won a lot of prizes with this one.
- PAUL ROBESON.** Extremely tall black red. Long flowerhead and a number of open blooms. Small 4 for .20, bulblets 25 for .20.
- PHANTOM BEAUTY.** Pale pink pastel which will consistently open 10 florets at once. Perfect placement and a mighty good glad. Medium and small sizes only.
- PURPLE SUPREME.** Extra tall, straight growing purple with a silvery sheen. Very attractive.
- RED CHARM.** For a low priced deep red this one cannot be beaten. First class in every respect.
- RED CHERRY.** Very early red which is rapidly making an enviable reputation for itself. Opens 8 round florets on tall spikes. Small 2 for .20, bulblets 20 for .25.
- RHETT BUTLER.** Another very early red which is worth while as an early commercial. Should be planted early to get straight spikes.
- ROBERT ALAN.** Large, very deep yellow. Opens a big head of bloom. Probably the best yellow. Medium, 1.50, small 1.00, bulblets 10 for 1.00.
- ROSE O'DAY.** Very fine lavender rose which opens many blooms at a time. A favorite with the florists.
- ROSE RED.** Very deep rose shade and one of my favorite glads. Striking when used with white. Large 2 for .20, small 4 for .20, bulblets 25 for .20.
- ROYAL WINDSOR.** Light scarlet of a different shade. One of the outstanding varieties at the shows this season. Large 2 for .25, Medium 3 for .25, small 4 for .25, bulblets 25 for .25.
- SALMAN'S GLORY.** Giant rich cream with big orange blotch. First class in every respect.
- SHERWOOD.** Velvety purple which is very beautiful. Tall, straight spikes and nicely ruffled blooms. A good one. Small .20, bulblets 10 for .20.

# SUNLIGHT GLAD GARDENS

BURTON L. SPILLER

East Rochester, New Hampshire

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**SIBONY.** Ruffled, medium lavender which makes a long flowerhead. Does not fleck like many other lavenders. Desirable. Medium .40, small .20, bulblets 10 for .30.

**SILVER WINGS.** My favorite low priced white. Cream colored buds but a nice ruffled white when open.

**SPIC AND SPAN.** Ruffled salmon rose which will open 10 blooms at once. It has won highest honors all over the country.

I have a large stock of this in various sizes, hence the low price. Write if interested in wholesale lots. Large .20, medium 2 for .30, small 3 for .20, bulblets 15 for .25, 100 for 1.25, ½ pint for 7.50, 1 qt. for 25.00.

**SPOTLIGHT.** The very best low priced yellow. Pure deep color with small red blotch in throat. A mighty fine glad.

**SUNDAY BEST.** Light lavender rose which shades imperceptibly to creamy lavender throat. Opens 8 and blooms well from small bulbs. Medium 1.50, small .75, bulblets 2 for .25.

**SUMMER GAL.** Beautiful geranium pink which will open eight or more lightly ruffled blooms. Medium 4 for .25, small 10 for .25, bulblets 25 for .25.

**SUNLIGHT.** Rose pink shading to golden throat. Opens seven or more. One of the most beautiful glads in existence. Large .20, medium 2 for .20, small 4 for .20. Bulblets 25 for .20.

**SUNSPOT.** Apricot buff with rose throat. Wonderful show record. Blooms well from any size bulb. Small 3 for .20, bulblets 20 for .25.

**SUPREME BEAUTY.** Many people have told me that this deep pink glad was the most beautiful variety they had ever seen. Its light throat makes it distinctive and the color is very pleasing. Large 2 for .30, medium 3 for .25, small 4 for .20, bulblets 25 for .25.

**SUSQUEHANNA.** Ruffled, very light rose or peach buff. Erect growth and nicely placed flowerhead.

**SKYWAY.** This 1949 introduction is a good one. Very early clear pink with a creamy throat. Long flowerhead and tall spikes. Medium 1.00, small .50, bulblets 5 for .25.

**VOODOO.** Bronze novelty which is a good exhibition glad. Large somewhat ruffled florets. American Home achievement medal. Medium 3 for .25, small 5 for .25, bulblets 20 for .25.

**WESTERN STAR.** A lighter Picardy. Almost a buff. Big, vigorous grower and many large florets open. Outstanding this last season. Large 2 for .30, medium 4 for .30, small 5 for .20, bulblets 25 for .25.

**WHITE GODDESS.** This tall ruffled white produced the best spike which grew in my garden last season. A very impressive white. Medium .25, small .15, bulblets 10 for .25.



## FIFTY CENT SPECIALS.

If you want a long period of bloom of any one variety selling for not more than thirty-five cents per large bulb, I will send you a selection of mixed sizes for fifty cents. The number of bulbs will vary, depending upon the price of the variety, but it will be in excess of the catalog value. If a large bulb is priced more than thirty five cents, send one dollar. If it is more than one dollar, send two. If you want some bulblets included, specify it in your order. I will guarantee to please you.

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## EXHIBITION MIXTURES.

Each year I sell many orders of mixed bulbs to those who do not care to grow the varieties separately. I put these up as they are ordered, in a grand mixture of colors, but can add or leave out any colors as instructed. While I recommend growing varieties under name, this is still the best buy in a catalog of bargains, for the price is the same as it was five years ago, even though shipping charges have doubled. Large 100 for \$5.00, 50 for \$3.00. Medium 100 for \$3.00. Small 200 for \$3.00. Small sizes of most varieties will give nice bloom if planted early.

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## SEEDS.

I couldn't find the time to do any extra hybridizing this season, but I can heartily recommend Russell Kelly of Merrimac, Mass. He makes hundreds of crosses and is probably the biggest hybridizer in the East.

I would suggest that you file this list and then compare my prices with those of any other grower. I believe you will find it to your advantage to buy of SUNLIGHT GARDENS.



